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CANBERRA AND SYDNEY FOR HOLDA, A/SY/FO/EA

E.O. 11652: N/A

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SUBJECT: FUNDING FOR GENERATOR HOUSING AT CHANCERY:

-- S-PNG-FA-8

REF: PORT MORESBY 1242 (NOTAL)

1. DEPARTMENT WILL FUND DOLS 10,260 TO CONSTRUCT HOUSING FOR CHANCERY GENERATOR AS POST REQUESTED.

2. WE ARE, HOWEVER, CONCERNED WITH WHAT APPEARS TO BE A RATHER HIGH COST (DOLS 5,957) FOR GENERATOR HOUSING PER SPECS PROVIDED BY DEPARTMENT. THESE SPECS WERE TYPICAL GENERATOR INSTALLATIONS FOR YOUR INFO AND GUIDANCE. THEY CAN BE ALTERED TO SUIT LOCAL CONDITIONS AND AVAILABILITY OF MATERIALS. FOR EXAMPLE, CEMENT BLOCKS WITH REINFORCING BARS IN HOLES AND HOLES FILLED WITH CEMENT, MAY BE SUBSTITUTED FOR REINFORCED CONCRETE. THIS SUBSTITUTION WOULD NORMALLY REDUCE COSTS SOMEWHAT.

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3. ACCORDING TO STATE 270590, NOVEMBER 3, 1976,
WILLIAM HOLDA, A/SY/FO/EA DESK OFFICER, WILL BE VISITING
POST NOVEMBER 17-20 FOR SECURITY CONSULTATIONS. WE WOULD
LIKE TO TAKE ADVANTAGE OF HIS ON THE SPOT

EXPERTISE AND REQUEST THAT HE EXAMINE CONSTRUCTION
ALTERNATIVES TO HOPEFULLY REDUCE COSTS FOR GENERATOR
HOUSING.

4. PRIOR TO HOLDA'S ARRIVAL, REQUEST THAT YOU HAVE
COMPETITIVE BIDS FOR THIS PROJECT AVAILABLE FOR HIS REVIEW.
POST IS AUTHORIZED TO PROCEED WITH PROJECT AFTER HOLDA'S
REVIEW AND RECOMMENDATIONS AND ON CONDITION THAT ANY
UNEXPENDED FUNDS BE RETURNED TO BUREAU. KISSINGER

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